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A woman braves sub-zero temperatures and some additional fresh snowfall Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009 near downtown Minneapolis, as an arctic blast hit much of the upper Midwest.
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Orlando Magic forward Hedo Turkoglu, of Turkey, takes a 3-point shot against the Sacramento Kings during the first quarter of an NBA basketball game in Sacramento, Calif., Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2009. The Magic set a new NBA record with 23 3-point shots made in their 139-107 victory over the Kings.

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Aruba gets stuck in the biggest party of the year

Carnaval is here again



ORANJESTAD - Carnaval occurs immediately before Lent, which is a 40 day period of fasting and lithurgy before Easter. Think of it as a last very big party before one has to fast for 40 days. Here in the Caribbean, Carnaval has become one of the biggest parties in the world. To refresh the mind and inform the newcomers among us, a summary of what is to be expected is below.

Carnival tradition is based on a number of disciplines including: "Playing Mas"/Masquerade; Calypso Music and crowning a Calypso King or Monarch; Panorama (Steel Band Competition); Jouvert morning; and a number of other traditions.

J'ouvert, or "Dirty Mas", and pronounced 'juuvay', is a large street party during Carnival in the eastern Caribbean region. It takes place before dawn on the Monday (known as Carnival Monday) before Ash Wednesday.

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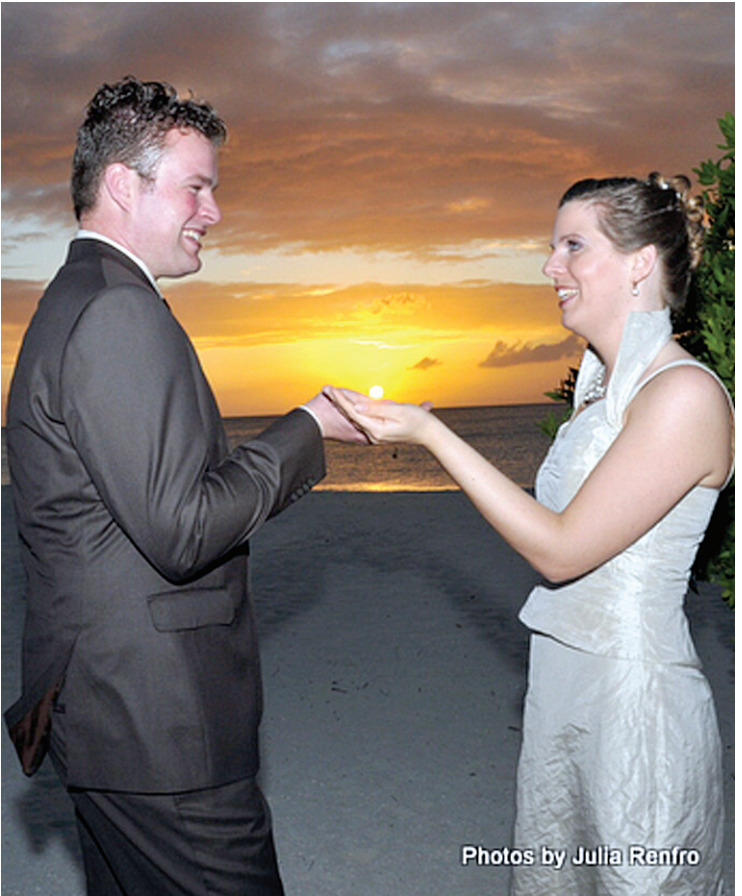


At the Amsterdam Manor

Perfect sunset for Marjolein & Antonie

ORANJESTAD - Marjolein van Gessel and Antonie Doeleman were married yesterday afternoon in Aruba Historic Civil House in downtown Oranjestad. After the beautiful ceremony with the exchange of rings and vows, the newlyweds signed the official documents becoming husband and wife.

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Perfect sunset for Marjolein & Antonie

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They celebrated their first married hours together on the beach at the Amsterdam Manor for the most romantic sunset ever. Marjolein told Aruba Today that she and

Antonie kissed for the very first time exactly 8 years ago to the date. Marjolein had always dreamed on getting married on Aruba and when Antonie asked her, her dream came true. They

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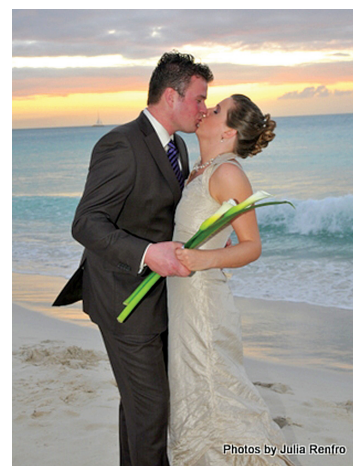
The menu features authentic spanish tapas and entrees such as delicious Seafood Paella, USDA Beef Tenderloin & New Zealand Lamb Chops from the charcoal grill.

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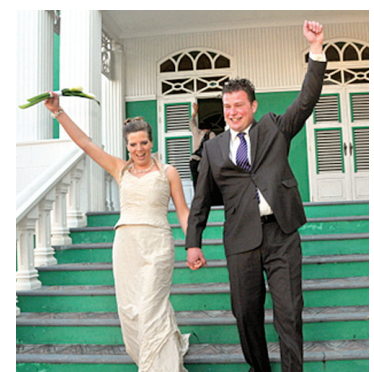


plan on returning to Aruba for their copper (12 ½ year) anniversary.

The lovebirds planned their wedding with Lissy Lampe of Ceremonies & Celebrations in Aruba who created their dream wedding come true. They are celebrating their honeymoon at the Amsterdam Manor on Eagle Beach.

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Effy Jewelers host a fun day at the downtown stores



ORANJESTAD – The two Effy Jewelers stores in the heart of Oranjestad featured the designer's very special collections yesterday. Diversa and Balissima, exclusive designs by Effy Hematian were on display and received much attention from day time

cruise ship passengers on a shopping spree in town. You too may check out Diversa, allowing two very different styles for earrings and rings, transforming from beautiful daytime jewelry to a gorgeous evening look, and Balissima, combining gold, silver and precious colorful gems. Effy jewelry is known and respected throughout the islands and the USA with

stores in Alaska, Aruba, the Bahamas, Cozumel, Curacao, Grand Cayman, Playa Del Carmen, Puerto Rico, St. Kitts and New York. Effy's jewelry has a unique look, style and design, combined with quality you can trust. The stores also carry selections of diamonds, emeralds, rubies, and sapphire earrings, pins, rings, bracelets, and necklaces



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Aruba gets stuck in the

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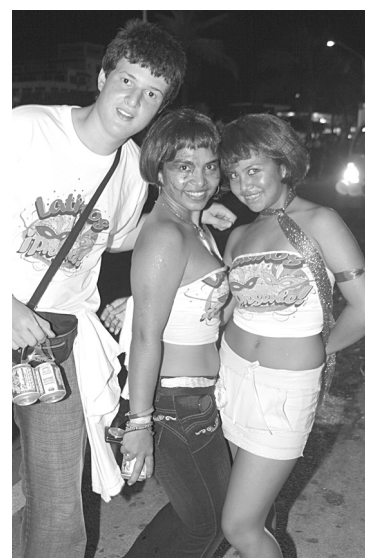
It means “opening of the day”. Here revelers dress in old clothes and cover themselves in mud, oil paint and body paint. A common character to be seen at this time is “Jab-jabs” (devils, blue, black or red) complete with pitch fork, pointed horns and tails. Here also, a king and queen of the J’ouvert are chosen, based on their representation of current political/social events/issues. Some theorize that this is done in remembrance of a civil disturbance in Port of Spain, Trinidad, when the people smeared themselves with oil or paint to avoid being

recognized. Others point to the English-speaking Caribbean’s significant Indian Community and the festival of Holi as the origin of this custom.

“Dimanche Gras” takes place on the Sunday night before Ash Wednesday. Here the Calypso Monarch is chosen (after competition) and prize money and a vehicle bestowed. Also the King and Queen of the bands are crowned, where each band to parade costumes for the next two days submits a king and queen, from which an overall winner is chosen. These usually involve huge, complex, beautiful costumes. Carnival Monday involves the

parade of the mas bands, but on a casual or relaxed scale. Usually revelers wear only parts of their costumes, and the purpose of the day is more one of fun than display or competition. Also on Carnival Monday, Monday Night Mas is popular in most towns and especially the capital, where smaller bands participate in competition.

Carnival Tuesday is when the main events of the carnival take place. On this day full costume is worn complete with make up and body paints/adornments. Each band has their costume presentation based on a particular theme,



biggest party of the year

and contain various sections (some consisting of thousands of revelers) which reflect these themes. Here the street parade and eventual crowning of the best bands take place. After following a route where various judging points are located, the mas bands eventually converge on the center of Oranjestad, to pass "on the stage" to be judged once and for all. Also taking place on this day is the crowning of the Road March king or queen, where the singer of the most played song over the two days of the carnival is crowned winner.

In Short, Carnival on Aruba

means weeks of events that bring you colorfully decorated floats, contagiously throbbing music, luxuriously costumed groups of celebrants of all ages, King & Queen elections, electrifying jump ups and torch light parades that wind their way through the streets at night, the Jouvert morning, the Children's Parades and finally the Grand Parade. This has got to be the greatest party ever! Where else can you find Antillean "tumba" music, the Calypso and steel bands of the English Caribbean, the salsa beat of Latin countries plus marching bands and a smattering of Dutch oom-pa-

pa?

Tumba is also a musical form native to Aruba and Curaçao. It is of African origin, although the music has developed since it was introduced on the island in the 17th century. The Curacao born composer Jan Gerard Palm was the first composer to write Curacao tumba's. The lyrics can be very explicit. Nowadays the Tumba takes influences from the merengue and Latin jazz. To make sure you won't miss a thing, we have printed an agenda with all the dates and places of all the events surrounding the biggest party of the year. □



Carnival Schedule 2009

DATE		EVENT / LOCATION
11 Jan	Sunday 6:00 PM	Aruba's Children, Youth and Adult Prince and Pancho Election VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
17 Jan	Saturday 6:00 PM	Aruba's Children's and Youth Calypso & Roadmarch Contest 2009 VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
18 Jan	Sunday 2:00 PM	Balloon Parade SAN NICOLAS
23 Jan	Friday 7:00 PM	34th Children's Carnival Queen Election VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
24 Jan	Saturday 7:30 PM	39th Grand Tumba Contest VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER The Tumba King elected during this festival often performs in the Carnival Parades. Tumba is a rhythm found on the ABC islands with roots in Africa. Today this beat is accompanied by brass and keyboards. Tickets @ US\$15 Presale - S. A. C. office price includes 1 free drink
25 Jan	Sunday	Dia di <u>Betico</u> - Aruban holiday
30 Jan	Friday 7:30 PM	46th Youth Queen Election & Coronation VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
31 Jan	Saturday 7:00 PM	Tumberito 2009 VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
	8:00 PM	Costume Festival 2009 VENUE - CAS DI CULTURA
01 Feb	Sunday 2:00 PM	Youth Parade ROUTE - TBA
	4:00 PM	Children's Costume Festival 2009 VENUE - CAS DI CULTURA
02 Feb	Monday 7:30 PM	Prefinals Calypso & Roadmarch Contest VENUE - CENTRO DI BARIO BRAZIL
03 Feb	Tuesday 7:30 PM	Prefinals Calypso & Roadmarch Contest VENUE - CENTRO DI BARIO BRAZIL
04 Feb	Wednesday 7:30 PM	Prefinals Calypso & Roadmarch Contest VENUE - CENTRO DI BARIO BRAZIL
06 Feb	Friday 8:00 PM	Aruba's 55TH Carnival Queen Election & Coronation Venue: ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
07 Feb	Saturday 7:30 PM	Grand Final Calypso & Roadmarch Contest VENUE - TBA The Calypso King and Roadmarch King elected during this festival often perform in the Carnival Parades and the chosen Roadmarch is usually played by all bands throughout the Grand Parade. Calypso is a rhythm originally from Trinidad. The lyrics often critique both political and social issues. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Location Joe Laveist BalPark

DATE		EVENT / LOCATION
08 Feb	Sunday 10:00 AM	Transfer of Command by the Prime Minister to Prince & Pancho ORANJESTAD VENUE - IN FRONT OF THE GOUVERNMENT BUILDING
	1:00 PM	Children's Parade SAN NICOLAS
09 Feb	Monday 7:00 PM	Aruba's 15th Mrs. Carnaval Election VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
10 Feb	Tuesday 8:30 PM	Ban Djo Djo Happening VENUE - DRIVE INN THEATRE
11 Feb	Wednesday 8:00 PM	Hebbe Hebbe Happening [People Drinking Heineken Beer] VENUE - POST OFFICE
13 Feb	Friday 8:00 PM	Carnival Show Down 'Window to the World' VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
14 Feb	Saturday 1:00 PM	Children's Parade NOORD
	8:00 PM	Aruba Tivoli's Lighting Parade ORANJESTAD
15 Feb	Sunday 12:00 PM	Grand Children's Parade ORANJESTAD
18 Feb	Wednesday 7:00 PM	Tourist Carnival Night - Steelband and Costume Show VENUE - PASEO HERENCIA
19 Feb	Thursday 8:00 PM	Lighting Parade SAN NICOLAS
20 Feb	Friday 5:00 PM	Tumba, Calypso and Roadmarch Afterparty VENUE - ARUBA ENTERTAINMENT CENTER
	8:00 PM	Jubu Happening (Jouvert Morning warming up) SAN NICOLAS
21 Feb	Saturday 4:00 AM	Jouvert Morning & Payama Party SAN NICOLAS
	1:00 PM	Grand Parade SAN NICOLAS
22 Feb	Sunday 12:00 PM	Aruba's Famous 55TH Grand Parade ORANJESTAD
23 Feb	Monday	CARNIVAL MONDAY <u>National holiday</u> - official day of rest.
	7:00 PM	Old Mask Parade Burning of the Momito SAN NICOLAS
24 Feb	Tuesday 8:00 PM	Grand Evening Parade & Burning of Momo ORANJESTAD
25 Feb	Wednesday	Ash Wednesday

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Presented by MTV
deejay Simone Angel

Koen and La Familia wins the Music Quiz at Café the Plaza

ORANJESTAD - Koen van der Elzen and La Familia has won the first Music Quiz at Café the Plaza last Tuesday. Dutchman Koen, a hardnosed, savvy quiz player, was merciless once again. He knew the answers to questions like 'What are the last names of ABBA members Bjorn and Benny' (Ulvaeus and Andersen)', 'Mention a famous background singer who sang in Somebody's Watching Me from Rockwell?' (Michael Jackson) and 'Which group made an album called S&N with the San Francisco Symphonic Orchestra' (Metallica). Eleven teams participated at the quiz; the winners got a lunch for five at newly opened ChinoLatino Restaurant.

The Music Quiz was presented by former MTV deejay and personality Simone Angel who did this in terrific style and with ease. Simone is now living on Aruba with her family and she is hosting a radio program on Cool 98.9 FM.

Last Tuesday's quiz was the prelude for the regular Café the Plaza Baileys Quiz Series of eight evenings filled with difficult questions for teams. The series starts on January 20th and everyone is invited to form a team and try and beat Koen van der Elzen, who has been winning left and right. □





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Moby Dick's finally makes waves, and a splash

PASEO HERENCIA – Moby Dick's was a long time in the making, but the wait is now over. This week the bar went open for business, and the kitchen will be open on Saturday the 17th of January. What a truly beautiful restaurant this is, and what a unique interior to match. The



The menu promises to be a true seafood lovers dream. Lobsters, fresh fish fillets, shrimps, Moby Dick's has everything on the menu. There is of course a land lubbers section for those who are so disposed. The wine list is impressive to say the least, and the cocktails are definitely worth a taste.

Moby Dick's is open for lunch as well. The chef

has made a well rounded, extensive menu for you to choose from. You will find what you want, whatever your craving may be at that time. The staff is amongst the friendliest on the island, ever so attentive to your every whim.

So long story short, for unbelievable seafood in unique surroundings, go to Moby Dick's. You'll have a whale of a time!

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The morning snorkel is offered daily, 9:30am – 2pm, and is priced at \$54.60pp. The island's best value is the afternoon "Something Fishy's Going On" tour, offered for only \$34pp. (Tip: Look for your value-added coupon in this newspaper.) Jolly Pirates Sailing and Sunset cruises depart from the MooMba Beach Bar, just between the Marriott and Holiday Inn.



For more information give the Jolly Pirates a shout at Tel: 586-8107 or after hours at Cel: 992 7858. Tickets for the Jolly Pirates and other great tours can be made at the Jolly Pirates Ticket Outlet, located at MooMba Beach Restaurant and Bar between the Marriott and the Holiday Inn

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Contrary to popular belief, Tierra del Sol is open to the public. Don't be scared by the security gate, you will find you are more than welcome for lunch or dinner. Get away from the busy beaches for a day and come and soak up the rest and tranquility that only Ventanas del Mar can offer you.

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and a seating capacity of 52 passengers. De Palm Tours, known to be a strong pillar to Aruba's tourism industry, plays a vital role in Aruba's Tourism business. This fleet expansion carries a total investment of over US\$1.5 million and guarantees their customers a maximum in comfort and luxury. In the meantime the company has grown into a huge provider of recreational activities and services in combination with their fleet of buses, Jeeps, ATV's and De Palm Island. The new Volvo B7R buses were purchased in Brazil. De Palm Tours decided to continue with the Volvo Brand due to its high quality, safety standards, state of the art technology and their commitment to producing environmentally

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"Aruhiba" Aruba's homemade cigar



ORANJESTAD - Benjamin Petrochi has started the newest export product of Aruba, locally produced cigars called 'Aruhiba'. These cigars are produced and cultivated in Aruba. Petrochi has always had an interest in the cigar business and has also sold cigars from outside, and now he is growing his own tobacco crop. After many attempts and trips to Santo Domingo and Cuba he started his own production and cultivation of



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Government. The visitors commented to Mr. Jacobs that the reason they keep visiting our Island is because of the weather, our friendly people, our beaches, wide variety of restaurants, and Aruba is amazing for shopping. During the ceremony, Mrs. Marvel Vilchez, Sales & Marketing Manager, Ms. Andreina Kock, Marketing Coordinator & Guest Relations, Ms. Lisette Ras, Hotel Manager & Grecia Kock Operations Manager, were present. □

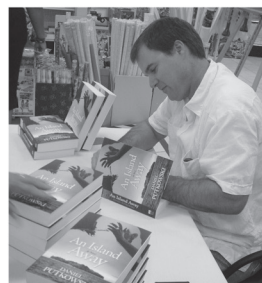
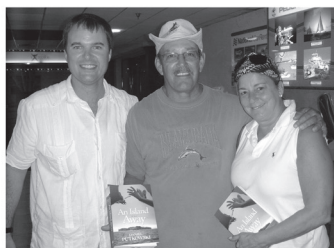
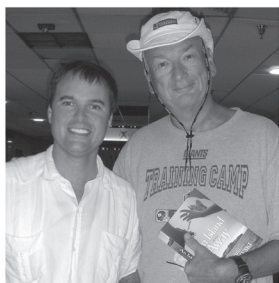
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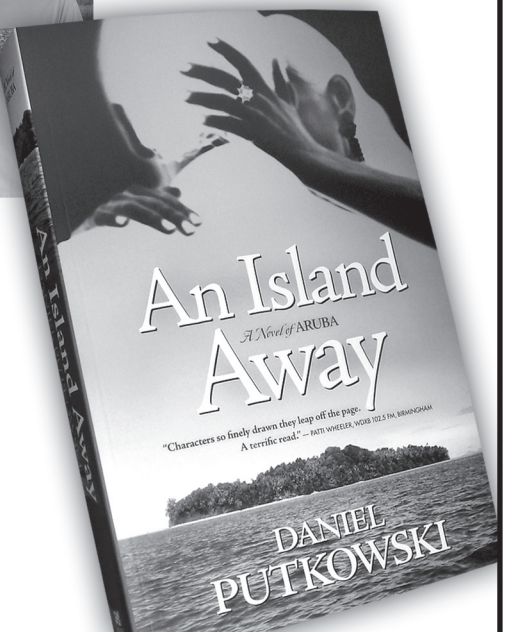
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Biting cold hits Northeast, keeps even skiers home

By JOHN CURRAN

Associated Press Writer

MONTPELIER, Vt. — The cold wave that stunned the nation's midsection expanded into the Northeast on Wednesday with subzero temperatures and biting wind that kept even some winter sports fans at home.

The wind chill hit 33 below zero during the night at Massena, N.Y., and the National Weather Service predicted actual temperatures nearly that low in parts of the region by Thursday night.

Winter-hardened people across northern New England bundled up amid warnings about how fast exposed skin can freeze.

"Anyone who sends their kid out today is out of the running for parent of the year," said Eric Friedman, a spokesman for Mad River Glen ski area in Fayston, Vt. A frostbite caution sign was posted at the ticket office, but few skiers were there to see it because of the 5-below-zero cold, Friedman said.

Schools from Iowa to Pennsylvania opened late so kids would not have to be out in the coldest part of the morning. Some schools closed.

"Awful," said University of Dayton student Lauren Weining, who put on two pairs of pants and three sweaters under her coat for a 10-minute walk to her job on the Ohio school's campus. "It's the longest 10 minutes I ever had this year." No deaths were reported in the Northeast.

A day earlier, a Wisconsin man died of exposure after wandering from his home; relatives said he was prone to sleepwalking. Poor visibility in blowing snow was blamed for a 20-car pileup that killed two people Wednesday in Indiana. Mercifully, no major precipitation was forecast for New England. Parts of the region are still recovering from a Dec. 11 ice storm that tore down trees and power lines, cutting electricity to about 1 million homes and businesses in the Northeast some for more than a week. This was just arctic cold, the kind that numbs



The Rev. Ron Gramza, left, and Javier Guativa head north on Main Street in Racine, Wis., Wednesday morning, Jan. 14, 2009, as they walk to the post office to mail a letter. A winter storm dropped several inches of snow on the Racine area Wednesday.

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10-day truce proposed in talks with Hamas, Israel

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - Egypt and Hamas are close to a deal for a 10-day cease-fire between Israel and the Palestinian militant group in Gaza, officials said Wednesday, as the Palestinians said the death toll from the Israeli offensive passed 1,000.

Egyptian and Hamas officials expressed optimism that an agreement for a temporary halt in fighting could be sealed soon and presented to Israel. But even if all sides sign on, further talks will be needed to resolve contentious disputes over policing Gaza's borders and ensure a longer-term truce.

"We're working with Hamas and we're working with the Israeli side. We hope to reach an outcome soon," Egyptian Foreign Ministry spokesman Hossam Zaki told the British Broadcasting Corp.

Egyptian and Hamas officials held intensive talks in the Egyptian capital, trying to finalize the deal. Late Wednesday, Salah al-Bardawil, a Gaza-based Hamas official, stopped short of saying Hamas had accepted the Egyptian proposal. He told reporters in Cairo that "we submitted our points of view" on the proposed deal, adding, "we hope that this Egyptian effort will succeed."

Ghazi Hamad, another Gaza-based Hamas official, told BBC, "I am optimistic now because I think there is no other choice for us ... This kind of agreement can be done now, and I think now there is good progress in Egypt. We hope that now Egypt will contact Israel and talk about all issues."

But there were signs Hamas' leadership-in-exile had reservations. Osama Hamdan, a leading Hamas official in Beirut, said there were still points that Hamas had not agreed to. "We do not agree with the initiative as it stands now," he told Al-Jazeera television.

The contradictory comments were the latest sign of some cracks between Hamas leaders under fire in Gaza and the leadership-in-exile, which is largely based in Damascus and is seen by many as more hard-line. Hamas officials, however, insist that the movement



An explosion is seen where the Israeli military is bombing an area around alleged smuggling tunnels in Rafah southern Gaza Strip, Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009. Israel showed no signs of slowing its bruising 19-day offensive against Gaza's Hamas rulers, striking some 60 targets on Wednesday. Israel launched the onslaught on Dec. 27, seeking to punish the Hamas militant group for years of rocket attacks on southern Israel. The offensive has killed more than 940 Palestinians, half of them civilians, according to Palestinian hospital official.

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is unified, and it was not clear if Hamdan's tougher tone was a negotiating tactic or a sign of division.

Israel launched its offensive on Dec. 27 to halt years of Palestinian rocket attacks. It has said it will press forward until Hamas halts the rocket fire and it receives guarantees that Hamas will stop smuggling weapons into Gaza through the porous Egyptian border.

The offensive has killed 1,017 Palestinians, nearly half of them civilians, and wounded more than 4,500, according to the Palestinian Health Ministry. The toll included 11 Palestinians killed Wednesday, medical officials said.

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Judge hits White House e-mail with preservation order



President George W. Bush holds his last formal news conference at the White House, Monday, Jan. 12, 2009, in Washington.

By PETE YOST

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush administration has been hit with a last-minute court order to preserve electronic messages, the result of long problems with the White House's e-mail system.

The preservation order comes amid

fears by two private groups that the White House has failed to take the necessary steps to deal with millions of e-mails that apparently are missing. The issue first surfaced three years ago during the investigation into the leak of a CIA operative's identity.

Wednesday's order by U.S. District Judge Henry Kennedy directs the

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Executive Office of the President to issue a notice to employees to surrender any e-mails from March 2003 to October 2005. That period includes the start of the war in Iraq and the first two years of the probe into the leak by top White House aides of the identity of CIA agent Valerie Plame, wife of Bush administration war critic Joe Wilson.

The government had argued for dismissal of the lawsuits by Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington and the National Security Archive, but Kennedy rejected the request late last year.

At a separate court hearing Wednesday, the White House was admonished for not conducting a search of individual workstations as recommended by U.S. Magistrate Judge John Facciola in a report last April.

"You rolled the dice that you'd win and you lost," said Facciola. "I'm not delighted that you didn't do anything after April and that we're in the fix that we're in."

Justice Department lawyer Helen Hong told the judge that a notice was sent out to employees that e-mails should

be preserved, but that those files had not yet been collected.

The White House said it has made great progress in accounting for e-mail messages. A spokesman declined further comment.

The administration is in the process of transferring over 300 million e-mail messages to the National Archives, said White House spokesman Scott Stanzel, in addition to over 25,000 boxes of records.

Lawyers for the two groups want the White House to be required to produce a detailed inventory of what it has found and what will be transferred to the National Archives. So far, they say, the administration has refused to provide those details.

"Instead of coming clean and telling the public what they have been doing to solve the crisis, they refused to say anything," said Sheila Shadmand, who is representing the National Security Archive. The judge's action extends a preservation order in the case from November 2007 that covers computer disaster recovery backup tapes. That would be one possible source for restoring missing e-mails. □



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White House: Audiotape shows bin Laden is isolated

By DEB RIECHMANN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The White House said Wednesday that the recent audiotape believed to carry a message from Osama bin Laden reflects the isolation of the al-Qaida leader whose influence over the terrorist network has waned.

"Wherever he is, he's in a deep hole," Vice President Dick Cheney said in an interview Wednesday with "The News Hour with Jim Lehrer." "He does not have much impact on the organization as best we can tell."

In a new message aimed at harnessing anger in the Mideast over the Gaza offensive, bin Laden urges Muslims to launch a jihad, or holy war, against Israel and condemned Arab governments as allies of the Jewish state.

The audiotape, posted on Islamic militant Web sites, was bin Laden's first since May and came nearly three weeks after Israel started its campaign against Gaza's militant Hamas rulers.

"It appears this tape demonstrates his isolation and continued attempts to remain relevant at a time when al-Qaida's ideology, mission and agenda are being questioned and challenged throughout the world," said Gordon Johndroe, a spokesman for the National Security Council at the White House.

"This also looks to be an effort to raise money as part of their ongoing propaganda campaign."

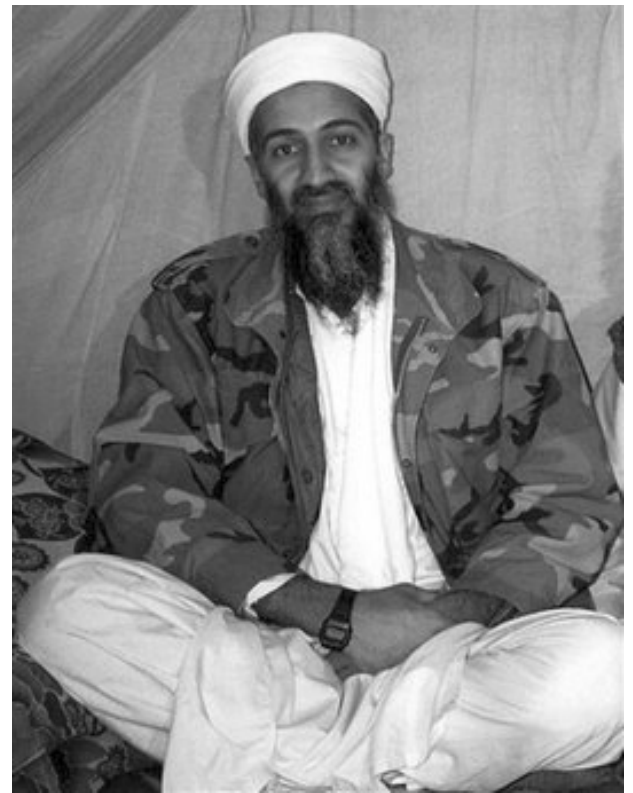
The United States promotes an alternative, hopeful ideology while continuing to partner with over 90 countries to pursue terrorists wherever they are," Johndroe said.

The al-Qaida leader also vowed that the terror network would open "new fronts" against the United States and its allies beyond Iraq and Afghanistan. He said President-elect Barack Obama has received a "heavy inheritance" from President George W. Bush - two wars and "the collapse of the economy," which bin Laden said will render the United States unable to sustain a long fight against the mujahedeen, or holy warriors.

Cheney said that it is important to go after the organization, not just bin Laden. "Even if you got Osama bin Laden tomorrow, you'd still have a problem in terms of whatever residue of al-Qaida is out there," he said.

He said the U.S. has been successful in toppling top al-Qaida operatives.

"We have had a big impact on al-Qaida," Cheney said. "This was a significantly diminished organization I think compared to what it was four or five years ago. When we killed Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the head of al-Qaida in Iraq, in June of '06, major accomplishment, and over the last - I don't want to get into the classified area obviously - but within the last year or so we've had a very significant impact on senior al-Qaida leadership." □



This is an undated file photo of al Qaida leader Osama bin Laden, in Afghanistan. Bin Laden has issued a new audiotape urging Muslims to launch a jihad, or holy war, to stop the Israeli offensive in Gaza. The authenticity of the tape cannot be independently confirmed.

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Gov. Rod Blagojevich presides over the Illinois Senate Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009, in Springfield, Ill. Blagojevich is required to oversee the swearing-in of the Illinois Senate, which will decide whether to throw the two-term Democrat out of office after he was impeached by the House last week.

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By CHRISTOPHER WILLS

Associated Press Writer

SPRINGFIELD, Illinois (AP) - Impeached Gov. Rod Blagojevich presided Wednesday over a tense

swearing-in of the state Senate that must ultimately decide whether to oust him, telling the lawmakers he hopes they will "find the truth and sort things out."

New Illinois Senate set for governor impeachment trial

New Illinois House members, meanwhile, voted again to impeach Blagojevich after their own swearing-in _ with the governor's sister-in-law as the only dissenting vote.

The Democratic governor primarily stuck to formalities and was greeted with stony silence during the hour or so he presided over the chamber. He politely applauded as he welcomed by name several of the same state officials who have called on him to resign, including Lt. Gov. Pat Quinn, who would become governor if Blagojevich is removed

from office.

But as he handed the proceedings over to incoming Senate President and fellow Democrat John Cullerton of Chicago, Blagojevich said he hopes senators will "find the truth and sort things out, to put the business of the people first."

Blagojevich, who has quoted British poets in his last two public appearances since his arrest, then turned to a favorite of Illinois politicians: Abraham Lincoln. He asked the senators who will conduct his trial to be inspired by Lincoln's quote "with malice toward none, with charity for all." □

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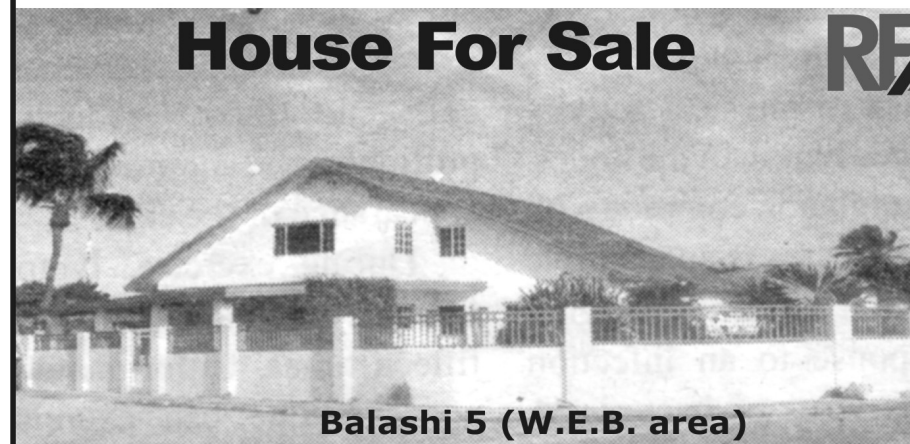
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House votes health insurance for 4M more children



House Speaker Nancy Pelosi of Calif., accompanied by House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer of Md., right, and others, speaks during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009, after the House passed State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) legislation.

By KEVIN FREKING
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Making a down payment on President-elect Barack Obama's promise of universal health coverage, the House voted overwhelmingly Wednesday to expand government-sponsored insurance to 4 million more children in working families with income too high to qualify for Medicaid. Between 300,000 and 600,000 of the new enrollees could be

non-citizen children of legal immigrants who have been in the country less than five years, a sticking point for some Senate Republicans who also will consider a similar bill. Obama said he hoped the Senate acts with the "same sense of urgency so that it can be one of the first measures I sign into law when I am president." "In this moment of crisis, ensuring that every child in America has access to affordable health care is not

just good economic policy, but a moral obligation we hold as parents and citizens," he said. Forty Republicans joined Democrats in passing the bill 289-139. Congress passed similar legislation in 2007 but it was vetoed both times by departing President George W. Bush.

The bill would raise the federal excise tax on cigarettes by 61 cents to \$1 a pack to pay for the \$32.3 billion cost of expanding the State Children's Health Insurance Program for the next 4 1/2 years. Other tobacco products would experience a comparable tax increase.

About 7 million children now get government-sponsored health care through SCHIP.

The Senate Finance Committee is scheduled to begin writing a similar bill Thursday. Democrats would like to send a House-Senate compromise to Obama for his signature in coming weeks as an early victory signifying the party's control of both the White and Congress for the first time since 1994.

"This is only the beginning of the change we will achieve with our new president," said House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., who got a congratulatory call from Obama after the vote.

The Congressional Budget Office projected that nearly 83 percent of the 4.1 million uninsured children who would gain coverage are in families with incomes below current eligibility limits. About 700,000 children would gain coverage because their states broadened eligibility.

Most of the children who gain coverage live in families with incomes of less than twice the federal poverty level — \$42,400 for a family of four, analysts said. However, some states have expanded their programs to cover families with more moderate incomes, as much as three times the federal poverty level — or \$63,600 for a family of four.

Republicans pointed to budget office estimates that the bill would shift 2.4 million children currently with private coverage to government-provided care.

"The priority of SCHIP should always be to serve those children most in need of assistance, not subsidize those who already have access to private insurance," said Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif.

They also objected to the additional spending.

"The kids will have to pay through the nose for the things we are doing today," said Rep.

Dan Burton, R-Ind. "We don't have the money to do all these things."

Democrats dismissed both arguments

"Forty days in Iraq equals over 10 million children in America insured for one year," Pelosi said. "We certainly can afford to do that."

Opponents also said the tobacco tax increase would not be enough to keep pace with the growing costs of health care. As a result, lawmakers down the road will have to cut children from the program or increase taxes. They said the latter option is more likely.

"The Democrats are blowing a giant cloud of smoke into the face of the American taxpayers, and I believe the impending tax increases that must come to cover this program will have us all in a severe coughing fit," said Rep. Dave Camp, R-Mich. The bill would provide coverage for pregnant legal immigrants in addition their non-citizen children who entered the U.S. in the past five years.

Current law requires a five-year waiting period before legal immigrants become eligible for coverage under Medicaid and SCHIP.

Supporters say expanding coverage would mean children could get treatment for acute conditions like asthma and diabetes so they were less likely to need care in an emergency room.

"These are not illegal immigrants. They are children who go to school, go to daycare with our children, our grandchildren," said Rep. Gene Green, D-Texas. "Those children ought to have health care."

Passage of the bill follows House votes last week on two labor bills that Democrats also hope to send to the White House this month. One was a response to a U.S. Supreme Court decision that put strict time limits on when a worker may sue an employer for pay discrimination and the other specifies that victims of pay discrimination may get compensatory and punitive damages in court.

The Senate was scheduled to begin debate Thursday on that first labor bill, named for Lilly Ledbetter, a former supervisor at a tire factory in Alabama who was denied compensation because she was not aware for years that she was receiving less pay than male co-workers.



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Bernard Madoff leaves Federal Court Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009 in New York.

Associated Press

Judge rules Madoff can remain under house arrest

By TOM HAYS and LARRY NEUMEISTER
Associated Press Writers

NEW YORK (AP) - Bernard Madoff won the latest round in his fight with prosecutors over his bail package Wednesday as a judge ruled he can remain free, brushing aside arguments by the government that the money manager needs to be in jail because he cannot be trusted. The judge ruled prosecutors did not make a compelling argument that Madoff is a danger to the community or a flight risk - the two considerations in deciding whether to grant bail. Madoff did not speak or show any emotion during the hearing, although he privately conferred with his lawyers on a couple occasions. He left the courthouse and returned to his \$7 million Upper East Side penthouse, where he has been under house arrest and under the watch of armed guards around the clock. His outgoing mail is also being searched to ensure he doesn't try to pass along any assets that could be used to reimburse burned investors.

Defense lawyer Ira Sorkin told the judge that such extreme restrictions make it "close to impossible to dispose of anything valuable." "I think the chances of Mr. Madoff fleeing at this point are as close to nil as you can get," he said. The government believes he should be jailed because he sent more than \$1 million in jewelry and gifts to family and friends over the holidays. Prosecutor Marc Litt said the gifts are further proof that Madoff "cannot be trusted under any set of conditions short of detention." But the defense said the government is using "inflammatory rhetoric and hyperbole" to make a flimsy argument, and called the gifts an innocent mistake. Investors who lost billions to Madoff are furious that he has been allowed to remain on free on bail while being accused of such a sweeping fraud. A magistrate judge rejected the original request that Madoff's bail be revoked on Monday, and prosecutors appealed, setting up Wednesday's hearing. □

BITING COLD

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"People in Arizona say 'It's a dry heat.' This is a fresh cold," Jacobs said. But people who had a choice stayed inside — even skiers. Vermont's Bolton Valley ski resort, where it was 10 below Wednesday morning, canceled night skiing through Friday night for fear that skiers could freeze if they were marooned on a malfunctioning ski lift. A couple of ski areas in northern Minnesota closed for the day because of temperatures that reached 38 below zero at International Falls, with the wind chill during the night estimated at 50 below.

Homeless shelters were busy. "We don't want anyone out there," said Kathryn Paquette, homeless outreach specialist of Southern New Hampshire Services in Nashua, N.H., which found rooms at rooming houses, motels and shelters for dozens. Honda Motor Co. canceled two shifts at three Ohio plants so their roughly 5,000 workers wouldn't have to risk the cold and slippery roads, spokesman Ron Lietzke said. Maine residents braced for nighttime readings down to 40 below zero. And in the Midwest, Iowans were warned that temperatures could drop as far as 27 below

zero during the night, matching a Jan. 15 record set in 1972. Temperatures Thursday were expected to range from 10 below zero in the far north to the low teens in southern coastal areas. Farther south, morning temperatures were in the 20s from Texas to Georgia, and along the Gulf Coast the weather service reported a low of just 28 at Mobile, Ala. Even northern Georgia and Kentucky could see single-digit lows by Friday, with zero possible at Lexington, Ky., the weather service warned. Kentucky hasn't been that cold since December 2004. □

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A member of the Hamas delegation Salah el-Bardaweel talks during a press conference in Cairo, Egypt Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009. Egypt and Hamas have narrowed in on the possible outlines of a deal for a 10-day cease-fire between Israel and the Palestinian militant group in Gaza, Palestinian and Egyptian officials said Wednesday, as the death toll in the war climbed to nearly 950.

Associated Press

10 DAY TRUCE

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Thirteen Israelis have also been killed since the offensive began, four by rocket fire from Gaza. Under the Egyptian proposal, Hamas would back off its demand that Israeli troops withdraw from Gaza and borders be opened immediately

as part of any halt in fighting.

Instead, Israeli forces would remain in place during a 10-day cease-fire until details on border security are worked out, Egyptian and Palestinian officials close to the talks told The Associated Press. They spoke on condition of anonymity to provide details of

the closed-door negotiations.

Prime Minister Ehud Olmert met late Wednesday with Defense Minister Ehud Barak and Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni to discuss the cease-fire efforts. In a sign of progress, Israel's chief negotiator, Amos Gilad, planned to fly to Egypt on Thursday to present Israel's stance, a senior defense official said. Gilad had put off the trip in recent days, saying the time was not yet ripe.

A senior Israeli official said it was far from certain that Israel would accept the deal. He said Israel welcomed many parts of the plan, but is concerned that Hamas will not respect a cease-fire as long as troops are in Gaza. The Israeli officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the press.

Israel has made clear that the Cairo talks are key to determining whether it widens its offensive to send thousands of reservists into crowded, urban areas where casualties on both sides would likely mount.

Israeli leaders signaled that they have crippled Hamas to their satisfaction after 19 days of heavy bombardment and ground fighting, but were holding out for international guarantees that weapons would no longer be smuggled into Gaza.

On Wednesday, Israel showed no signs of slowing its bruising offensive, striking some 60 targets. One airstrike hit an overcrowded cemetery, spreading body parts and rotting flesh over a wide area. The army said the airstrike targeted a weapons cache hidden near the graveyard.

Guerrillas in Lebanon sent rockets crashing into northern Israel on Wednesday for the second time in a week, drawing an Israeli artillery barrage and threatening to drag the Jewish state into a second front.

The rocket fire in the north caused no injuries, but sent residents scurrying to bomb shelters. There was no immediate claim of responsibility, and speculation focused on small Palestinian groups. Hezbollah,

the Iranian-backed guerrilla group that fought a monthlong war with Israel in 2006, denied involvement in last week's attack.

In a Web audiotape Wednesday, al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden urged Muslims to launch a holy war against Israel. Iran's top leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, issued a religious opinion, or fatwa, declaring the purchase of any Israeli goods or trade with Israeli companies to be forbidden.

U.N. secretary-general Ban Ki-moon opened a visit to the Mideast on Wednesday, urging an immediate halt to the violence.

"It is intolerable that civilians bear the brunt of this conflict," he said in Cairo after talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. "Negotiations need to be intensified to provide arrangements and guarantees in order to sustain an enduring cease-fire and calm."

Ban is scheduled to arrive in Israel on Thursday. □



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Police nab Mafia fugitive who fled through sewer

By FRANCES D'EMILIO
Associated Press Writer

ROME (AP) - A Mafia fugitive who narrowly eluded arrest this week by fleeing through a small town's sewer system was captured Wednesday as he scrambled across a rooftop in another daring escape bid, police said.

Investigators say the mobster Giuseppe Setola masterminded a terror spree that has bloodied the Caserta area of southern Italy for several months in a power struggle within the Camorra crime syndicate.

With a reputation as a sharpshooting hit-man, Setola, 38, has been convicted of murder and sentenced in absentia to life in prison. He escaped in the spring from house arrest, which was granted so he could recover from a purported eye problem.

Setola "was trying to escape by rooftop, further proof that he sees very well," Carabinieri paramilitary police Col. Carmelo Burgio told Sky TG24 TV.

On Monday, as dozens of police surrounded his hideout in a town near Caserta, he darted through a trap door fitted in a bedroom floor and, with a few bodyguards, apparently made his way through 1.5 kilometers of a stinking sewer conduit, according to investigators. The sewer layout had obviously been "studied very well" by Setola, Burgio said.

Shortly after the Mafia fugitive eluded police, he resurfaced near a road in the countryside, forced a woman to get out of a car she was driving, took the vehicle and kept going, investigators said.

Setola was arrested Wednesday in the small town of Mignano Monte Lungo,

less than 48 hours later. Prosecutors said the house where Setola was captured by police on the roof was adjacent to a clinic.

"We believe Setola had been seeking treatment for wounds suffered during his escape" on Monday in another hamlet, Trentola Ducenta, Naples anti-Mafia Prosecutor Franco Roberti told The Associated Press by telephone.

The ANSA news agency said Setola had suffered a wrist injury in the sewer escape.

Police appeared to have been tipped to Setola's presence in Mignano Monte Lungo.

Burgio said that after being captured Setola asked about his wife, who had been arrested after weapons were found in the house with the trap door.

Interior Minister Roberto Maroni, whose ministry includes police forces, praised Setola's arrest as a "very serious blow to the Camorra."

Police say they believe Setola had carried out some of the 18 or so killings in the countryside and small towns near Caserta last year.

In particular, he is suspected of ordering the gangland-style murders of six Ghanaian immigrants. Investigators have theorized the Africans were slain to warn immigrants to stay out of drug trafficking, one of the Camorra's illicit sources of income.

In a past photo of Setola distributed by authorities, he is wearing dark glasses and a white patch over one eye.

Police had said for months that they were closing in on Setola, after arresting several of his purported top lieutenants.

Setola is believed by investigators to



Italian Carabinieri paramilitary police officers look at a passage in a room reportedly used by top mafia fugitive Giuseppe Setola, to elude capture and escape from his hideout into the sewer in Caserta, southern Italy, Monday Jan. 12, 2009.

Associated Press

have been waging a reign of terror to try to win command of the Casalesi crime clan while rival Francesco Schiavone is in prison.

The crime clan takes its name from Casale di Principe, a Schiavone stronghold.

Camorra crime clans have carved up territory in the Campania region, which includes Naples. They run lucrative rackets ranging from numbers

games to drugs and the smuggling of immigrants. Casalesi crime families also profit from the illegal transport of toxic waste, according to a report by a parliamentary anti-Mafia commission. Earlier on Wednesday, authorities seized property linked to the Setola clan worth millions of euros (dollars), investigators said. It included two apartments being rented to U.S. military forces, said Roberti. □

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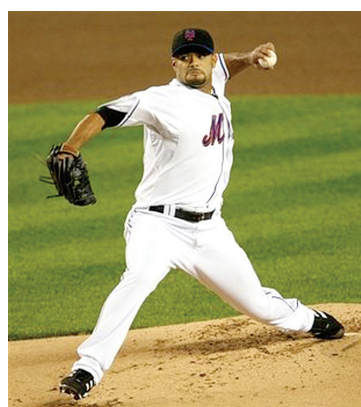
SPORTS

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Los Angeles Lakers' Kobe Bryant (24) tries to shoot over Houston Rockets' Yao Ming (11), of China, and Shane Battier during the first half of an NBA basketball game Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2009, in Houston. Bryant had 33 points in the Lakers' 105-100 win.

Associated Press



This Sept. 23, 2008 file photo shows New York Mets pitcher Johan Santana delivers throwing against the Chicago Cubs in a baseball game at Shea Stadium in New York.

Associated Press

By MIKE FITZPATRICK

AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Johan Santana is unsure whether he'll be able to pitch in the World Baseball Classic following offseason knee surgery.

The two-time Cy Young Award winner said Wednesday he'd love to play for his native Venezuela in March, but the New York Mets will determine

Johan Santana unsure if he'll pitch in WBC

whether to clear him for the WBC.

"My mind is set to play, but at this point I don't know what is going to happen with the medical staff and the team. They have a lot to protect," Santana said during a telephone conference call. "If they don't want me to play then I won't play."

After a brilliant first season with the Mets, Santana had arthroscopic surgery Oct. 1 on torn cartilage in his left knee. He said he feels good and he might report about a week early to New York's spring training camp in Port St. Lucie, Florida, next month.

"Just to make sure that we're all on the same page and just to make sure that we follow everything that we're supposed to follow," he said.

The left-hander said he's spoken to New York general manager Omar Minaya about his rehabilitation and the chances of him pitching in the WBC.

NBA Roundup

Bryant leads Lakers over undermanned Rockets

HOUSTON (AP) - Kobe Bryant sank a key 3-pointer with 27 seconds left to secure Los Angeles' 105-100 win over the Houston Rockets on Tuesday, giving the Lakers the NBA's best record.

Bryant scored 33 points, including 13 in the fourth quarter, finally getting the better of Houston's Von Wafer, who scored a career-high 23 points in place of the injured Tracy McGrady.

Carl Landry had a season-high 21 points and eight rebounds for the Rockets, who also played without Ron Artest.

McGrady is out at least two weeks to recuperate from lingering knee soreness, while Artest has missed five of the past six games with a sprained right ankle. He will be out for at

least another week.

The win moved the Lakers to 31-6, breaking a tie with Cleveland for the league's best record.

Nuggets 99, Mavericks 97

In Denver, Chauncey Billups made two free throws with 2.2 seconds left to give Denver a narrow win over Dallas.

Billups scored 23 points to lead Denver in recovering after blowing a 17-point lead.

The loss tarnished a 44-point effort by Dirk Nowitzki - including the tying basket with 19 seconds left - as the Mavericks slipped to a third successive loss.

Suns 107, Hawks 102

In Phoenix, the home side notched a third straight win by downing Atlanta.

Shaquille O'Neal had 26 points and 10 rebounds for the Suns,

who have won six of seven and improved to nine games over .500 for the first time this season. The Hawks have lost four in a row.

After a tight fourth quarter, O'Neal put the Suns ahead for good, 99-98, with a foul shot with 1:49 remaining.

Cavaliers 102, Grizzlies 87

In Memphis, Tennessee, LeBron James had 30 points, 11 rebounds and 10 assists for his second triple-double of the season, leading Cleveland over Memphis.

James scored only nine points in the opening half, then had 17 in the third quarter and completed his triple-double with a behind-the-back pass for a layup in the fourth.

Magic 139, Kings 107

In Sacramento, California, Orlando made an NBA record 23 3-pointers to cruise past Sacramento.

The Magic made 23 of 37 attempts from beyond the line to break the old mark of 21, set by Toronto in 2005 against Philadelphia. The record provided the only interest to a one-sided encounter.

Dwight Howard had 25 points and 15 rebounds. With the Magic leading comfortably, Howard sat on the bench throughout the fourth quarter as the Magic won their fifth straight game.

Bobcats 80, Pistons 78

In Auburn Hills, Michigan, Raymond Felton's jump shot with 0.7 seconds left saw Charlotte edge Detroit.

The Bobcats scored the game's final nine points, including seven from Felton who finished with 23.

In other NBA games Tuesday, it was: Charlotte 80, Detroit 78; Miami 99, Minnesota 96; Cleveland 102, Memphis 87; Orlando 139, Sacramento 107; Denver 99, Dallas 97; and Phoenix 107, Atlanta 102.

1-3 innings last season after the Mets acquired him from Minnesota in a blockbuster trade. He completed the first season of a \$137.5 million, six-year contract.

Following doctors' orders, Santana has focused his offseason conditioning work on bike riding in order to keep pressure off his knee. He said he'll be examined by trainers in a week and he expects to begin throwing next week _ about the same time as usual.

"I'm not trying to rush anything up," he said. "I've been doing everything the way that I've done in the past."

Maybe even a little extra.

"Because now I have to worry about my knee," he said.

Santana is the ace of a Mets rotation that also includes Mike Pelfrey, John Maine and perhaps newcomer Tim Redding. New York pursued free-agent starter Derek Lowe but was outbid by Atlanta. □

NHL Roundup

Oilers send Capitals to 3rd straight defeat, 5-2

WASHINGTON (AP) - Erik Cole had three goals, Gilbert Brule added a goal and an assist, and the Edmonton Oilers beat Washington 5-2 Tuesday night, handing the Capitals their third consecutive loss.

Dwayne Roloson made 34 saves and Steve MacIntyre scored his first NHL goal for the Oilers, who won their second straight game. It was Edmonton's first victory on the road against the Capitals since Jan. 26, 1997 at USAirways Arena in Landover, Md.

Mike Green had a goal and an assist and Tomas Fleischmann also scored for Washington, which lost a second straight home game for the first time this season and is now 18-3-1 at Verizon Center. The three straight losses match a season high.

At Boston, Zdeno Chara scored a pair of power-play goals, and Tim Thomas stopped 34 shots as Boston downed Montreal.

Andrei Kostitsyn scored for Montreal, which had won four straight games, scoring five or more goals in each of them. Jaroslav Halak made 26 saves, but the Canadiens lost in

regulation for the second time in 12 games and fell a dozen points behind the rival Bruins in the Eastern Conference standings.

At Ottawa, Dany Heatley, Dean McAmmond and Mike Fisher scored as Ottawa beat Carolina to stop a five-game losing streak.

Heatley, who was replaced by Fisher on Ottawa's first power-play unit, scored his first goal in nine games early in the first before McAmmond ended a 21-game drought midway through the opening period to put the Senators up 2-0.

Antoine Vermette added Ottawa's third goal with 26 seconds remaining in the second and Fisher scored on a power play midway through the third for his first goal in 20 games. Chris Phillips scored his fourth goal with 4:47 remaining.

At Columbus, Ohio, Kristian Huselius had a goal and two assists to help Columbus to its third straight win.

R.J. Umberger had a goal and assist, rookie Jakub Voracek and Michael Peca also scored for the Blue Jackets, which have won seven of nine.

Chris Stewart had a goal and assist, and Marek Svatos and Ryan Smyth tallied for Colorado, who had a three-game winning streak snapped. Brett Clark added two assists.

At Toronto, Steve Sullivan had his first NHL point in almost two years to help Nashville shut out Toronto.

Playing just his second game of the season after missing the entire 2007-08 season and half of this season with a back injury, Sullivan assisted on the third-period game-winning goal by Radek Bonk.

David Legwand added an insurance goal with just under seven minutes left while Pekka Rinne made 17 stops to record the shutout for Nashville.

At Philadelphia, Evgeni Malkin and Jordan Staal each scored, and Sidney Crosby had a pair of assists as Pittsburgh downed Philadelphia.

The Penguins won for only the second time in nine games and scored four straight goals to put an emphatic end to Philadelphia's eight-game home winning streak. They also got goals from Tyler Kennedy and Matt Cooke, and Marc-Andre



Edmonton Oilers celebrate with goalie Dwayne Roloson (35) at the end of the NHL hockey game against the Washington Capitals in Washington, Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2009. The Oilers won 5-2 as they handed the Capitals their third straight loss.

Associated Press

Fleury nicely rebounded from a first-period blunder to stop 27 shots.

Simon Gagne and Joffrey Lupul scored for Philadelphia.

At Uniondale, New York, Chris Drury and Nigel Dawes scored 1:56 apart in the second period as the New York Rangers sent the rival Islanders to their fifth straight loss.

In other NHL games

Tuesday, it was: **Edmonton 5, Washington 2; Columbus 4, Colorado 3; the New York Rangers 2, the New York Islanders 1; Pittsburgh 4; Philadelphia 2, Ottawa 5, Carolina 1; Nashville 2, Toronto 0; Minnesota 6, Phoenix 3; Calgary 3, St. Louis 1; New Jersey 5, Vancouver 3; and San Jose 7, Tampa Bay 1.** □



Raymond James Stadium, site of Super Bowl XLIII on Feb. 1, is seen Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009, in Tampa, Fla.

Associated Press

By EILEEN SULLIVAN and MITCH STACY

Associated Press Writers

TAMPA, Fla. — A U.S. intelligence report says there is no credible threat of terrorist attacks at the Feb. 1 Super Bowl, but police said Wednesday that visitors should still expect the type of heavy security typical of every Super Bowl since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. While no specific threat was identified, a joint FBI and Homeland Security intelligence assessment obtained by The

Associated Press cautions that Raymond James Stadium, the Super Bowl site, does not have the typical security features of permanently secure buildings, such as jails or military bases. However, the report noted, "the visible presence of hundreds of well-equipped security officers, standoff barriers and other security measures likely will serve as deterrents to attack."

Tampa police spokeswoman Laura McElroy said Raymond James Stadium is as secure as any other NFL venue and noted

No credible terror threats seen for Super Bowl XLII

that local law enforcement is accustomed to securing the stadium and keeping large crowds safe.

"On Super Bowl Sunday, the safest place in the country will be inside Raymond James Stadium or inside the security footprint of the Super Bowl," McElroy said.

She said local officials have been working with the Department of Homeland Security and other agencies on the security plan for the past two years. A litany of state and federal agencies are assisting local law enforcement, but McElroy declined to provide numbers of officers involved or other specifics of the plan for security reasons.

A spokeswoman for the Super Bowl Host Committee referred all security questions to McElroy. A similar security report typically has been issued for the event in recent years.

The federal report, dated Tuesday, said officials are also concerned that terrorists or criminals could impersonate government or military officials because some Florida law enforcement badges and uniforms were stolen in 2008. The report says there is no credible information about impersonation plots.

The report referred to a large number of credentials, uniforms sets and other law enforcement equipment that went missing last year from the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, which patrols unincorporated areas around Tampa.

McElroy said criminals impersonating police is a general concern for every Super Bowl and other high-profile events and any such intelligence is shared among all the agencies involved. The Super Bowl is one of the biggest television

events of the year, and more than 100 million people in 232 countries are expected to watch, the assessment said.

Because of the high profile nature of the event, intelligence officials say they cannot discount the potential for a terrorist attack.

Terrorists are expected to continue to see stadiums and arenas as potential targets, according to a March 2008 intelligence assessment.

"Al-Qaida could meet its objectives of mass casualties, economic damage, and psychological impact with an attack against a stadium or arena during an event in the United States," the 2008 assessment said. In November, a suicide bomber blew himself up near a stadium in Peshawar, Pakistan, killing four people and injuring 11, according to U.S. intelligence officials. □

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Secretaria de Estado designada de EEUU, Hillary Clinton:

Obama quiere “nueva cara” diplomática con Latinoamérica

WASHINGTON (AP) - La secretaria de Estado designada Hillary Clinton adelantó el martes que el presidente electo Barack Obama desea “una nueva cara” en la diplomacia hacia América Latina y que propondrá una iniciativa conjunta para compartir tecnología y nuevas inversiones en el desarrollo de energía renovable.

El planteamiento sería formulado en la Cumbre de las Américas en Trinidad y Tobago en abril, que a su vez será el primer contacto de Obama con los presidentes de la región, dijo.

El anuncio da un giro al tema central de las cumbres americanas que desde su

primera versión en 1994 se orientaron hacia el comercio y que durante el gobierno del presidente saliente, George W. Bush, se convirtieron en un foro para promover el libre comercio.

“En nuestro hemisferio tenemos oportunidades de mejorar la cooperación para lograr objetivos comunes económicos, de seguridad y ambientales que nos afectan a todos”, dijo Clinton en su audiencia de confirmación en el Senado. “Vamos a retornar a una política de compromiso vigoroso con Latinoamérica”.

Clinton, quien fue rival de Obama en las elecciones primarias del Partido

Demócrata, dijo que el presidente electo desea “un mayor entendimiento y compromiso” con el Caribe, Centro y Sudamérica.

“Deseo dejar totalmente en claro que el gobierno de Obama está buscando socios y amigos en América Latina”, dijo. “Esperamos trabajar con gran anticipación en la Cumbre de las Américas”. Recordó que Obama se entrevistó en la víspera con el presidente mexicano Felipe Calderón en Washington y abordó temas de seguridad, delincuencia, narcotráfico y otros.

“No sólo deseo reiterar

nuestro interés en esos temas... sino que deseamos aprovechar todas las oportunidades en América Latina, y es por ello que la sociedad energética que ha planteado el presidente electo tiene un gran potencial”, dijo.

Indicó que “los países de América Latina son realmente nuestros aliados más estrechos” y que si se mira “el comercio, las relaciones familiares y otros campos se pueden ver todas esas conexiones”.

“Pienso que vamos a poner una nueva cara en la diplomacia en cuanto se refiere a América

Latina”, comentó. “Esa es particularmente mi misión”. Clinton, quien es esposa del ex presidente Bill Clinton, dijo que en la Cumbre de las Américas el nuevo gobierno de Obama espera trabajar en varios temas y “cristalizar la convocatoria del presidente electo para una nueva asociación energética de las Américas levantada con tecnología compartida y nuevas inversiones en energía renovable”.

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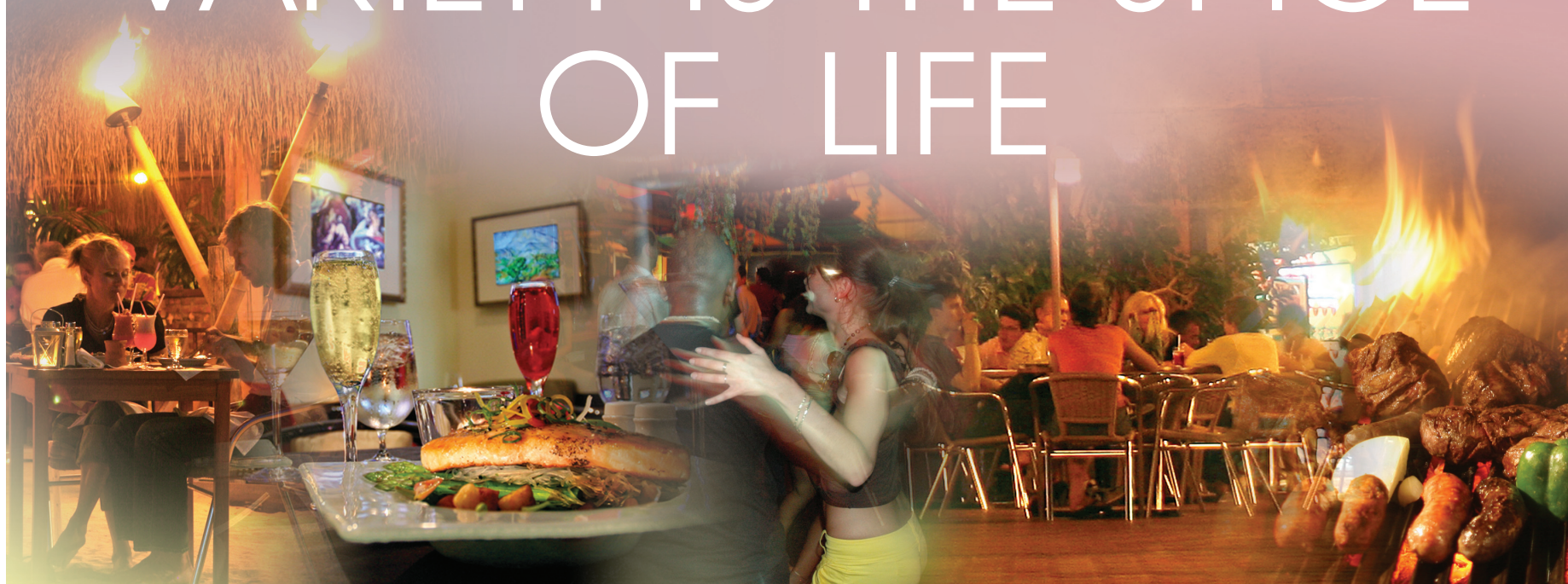
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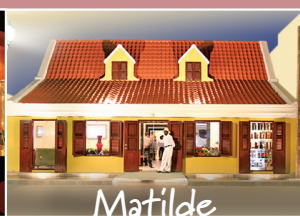
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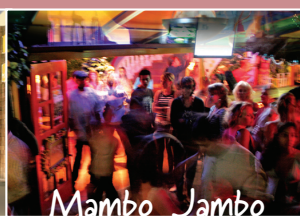
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